

HAWAII STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DISEASE OUTBREAK CONTROL DIVISION

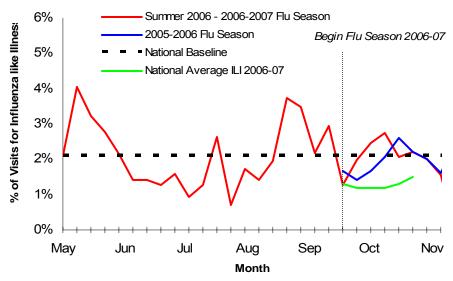
Influenza Surveillance Report

November 19 – November 25, 2006: MMWR¹ Week 47

I. Surveillance of Influenza Like Illness (ILI):

During week 47 of the 2006-07 influenza season, 1.6% of patient visits to Hawaii's Sentinel Providers were due to due to Influenza Like Illness (ILI). Percent ILI during the current flu season is the same as that reported during the same time last year (1.6%).

Percentage of Visits for Influenza Like Illness (ILI) Reported by Hawaii Sentinal Providers



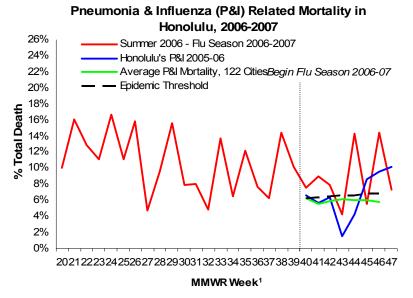
II. Pneumonia and Influenza (P&I) Related Mortality²:

During week 47, 7.4% of all deaths in Honolulu, Hawaii were due to pneumonia or influenza. Honolulu's P&I (14.5%) for week 46 was higher than the reported national average (5.79%) and the epidemic threshold (6.86%). The current P&I mortality (7.4%) is lower than the P&I mortality reported at the same time last year (10.2%).

Influenza Associated Pediatric Mortality²:

There have been no influenza-associated pediatric mortalities in Hawaii during the current flu season. Nationally, no P&I related pediatric mortality was reported for week 46.

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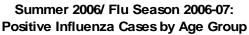
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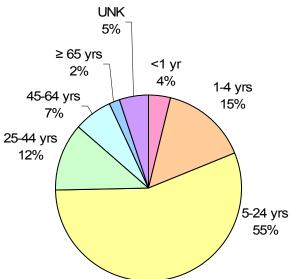
III. Laboratory Surveillance

A total of 1053 (average 55 specimens/week) specimens were tested by the Hawaii State Laboratories Division (SLD) during summer 2006 (MMWR week 20 – week 39, 2006). Since the beginning of Flu Season 2006-07, SLD has tested **501** specimens.

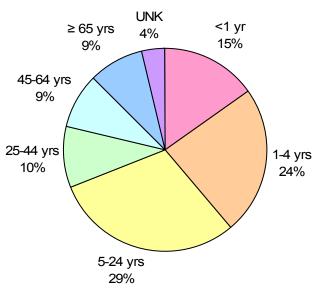
Positive Isolates:

The pie charts below indicate the distribution of specimens tested and positive influenza cases in Hawaii by age group during summer 2006 and Flu Season 2006-07.



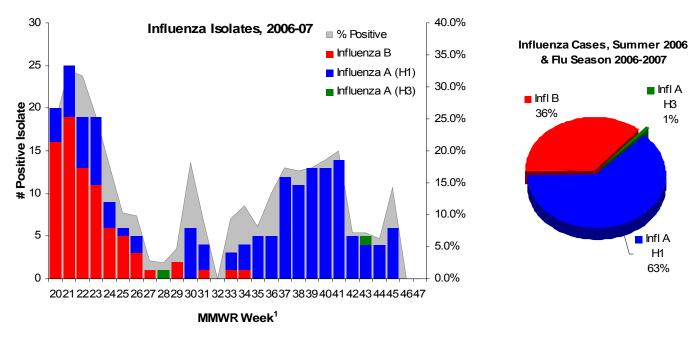


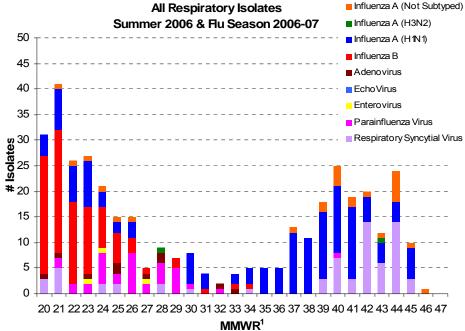
Summer 2006/ Flu Season 2006-07: Specimens Tested by Age Group



Based on this data, school children and young adults (age group 5-24) were most likely to test positive when influenza was suspected (55% of positive influenza cases versus 29% of specimens tested), whereas the infants (<1 year of age) were least likely to be positive for influenza and likely to have other etiologies for their respiratory illness (4% of positive influenza cases versus 15% of specimens tested).

Of the 501 specimens tested since the beginning of the 2006-07 flu season, 47 (9.4%) influenza isolates have been detected by SLD. A total of 217 (14%) of 1554 specimens tested since Summer 2006 were positive for influenza. Of these, 2 (0.9%) were influenza A (H3N2), and 136 (62.7%) were influenza A (H1N1). There were 79 (36.4%) influenza B cases. Select isolates were sent to the CDC for sub-typing confirmation.





Data courtesy of State Laboratories Division and Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii

IV. Clustered ILI Activity

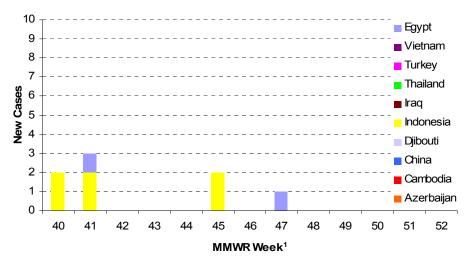
No clustered ILI activity has been reported to the Department of Health during Summer 2006, or Flu Season 2006-07.

V. Avian Influenza

29 November 2006

Country	2003		2004		2005		2006		Total	
	cases	deaths								
Azerbaijan	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	5	8	5
Cambodia	0	0	0	0	4	4	2	2	6	6
China	1	1	0	0	8	5	12	8	21	14
Djibouti	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Egypt	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	7	15	7
Indonesia	0	0	0	0	19	12	55	45	74	57
Iraq	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	3	2
Thailand	0	0	17	12	5	2	3	3	25	17
Turkey	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	4	12	4
Viet Nam	3	3	29	20	61	19	0	0	93	42
Total	4	4	46	32	97	42	111	76	258	154

New HPAI H5N1 Cases, Flu Season 2006-07



Total number of cases includes number of deaths; WHO reports only laboratory-confirmed cases.

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Appendix 1: MMWR Week

Please refer to the table below to interpret data presented by MMWR week.

MMWR	Week Ending	MMWR	Week Ending
40	10/7/2006	14	4/7/2007
41	10/14/2006	15	4/14/2007
42	10/21/2006	16	4/21/2007
43	10/28/2006	17	4/28/2007
44	11/4/2006	18	5/5/2007
45	11/11/2006	19	5/12/2007
46	11/18/2006	20	5/19/2007
47	11/25/2006	21	5/26/2007
48	12/2/2006	22	6/2/2007
49	12/9/2006	23	6/9/2007
50	12/16/2006	24	6/16/2007
51	12/23/2006	25	6/23/2007
52	12/30/2006	26	6/30/2007
1	1/6/2007	27	7/7/2007
2	1/13/2007	28	7/14/2007
3	1/20/2007	29	7/21/2007
4	1/27/2007	30	7/28/2007
5	2/3/2007	31	8/4/2007
6	2/10/2007	32	8/11/2007
7	2/17/2007	33	8/18/2007
8	2/24/2007	34	8/25/2007
9	3/3/2007	35	9/1/2007
10	3/10/2007	36	9/8/2007
11	3/17/2007	37	9/15/2007
12	3/24/2007	38	9/22/2007
13	3/31/2007	39	9/29/2007